

### Public Meetings for Bike Improvement Project

The Portland Bureau of Transportation will be discussing several upcoming bike improvement projects in inner Northeast Portland.

On June 1 and June 15, transportation officials will hold meetings to discuss and elicit feedback about the bicycle infrastructure improvement projects. Both meetings run from 6 to 8 p.m. and will be held at Humboldt Elementary, 4915 N. Gantenbein Ave.

The projects, funded by a grant from the federal government, will connect Going Street to the Willamette River on Swan Island, as well as build the Michigan Neighborhood Greenway from Bryant Street to Fremont Street.

The goals of the project include reducing speeds on residential streets, minimizing cut-through traffic on these streets, ensure safe crossings by pedestrians and bicycles on busy streets and provide easy access to schools, parks and local businesses. The project aims to provide safe routes to seven schools including Jefferson High, Humboldt Elementary and Portland Community College.

The public is encouraged to attend to learn more about the project, and provide recommendations and concerns.

For any questions about the meetings,

contact [greg.raisman@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:greg.raisman@portlandoregon.gov) or 503-823-1052.

### Plant Extra Food in Your Garden for the Hungry

Planting a vegetable garden? Consider planting a few extra plants or even an extra row to help fight hunger. Join Plant a Row.

Launched in 1995 by the Garden Writers Association, Plant a Row for the Hungry is a people-helping-people program that encourages gardeners to grow a little extra and donate the produce to help fight hunger.

For more information such as planting calendars, gardening resources or to maps to help you find a partner agency near you that can use your produce, visit [www.oregonfoodbank.org/Give-Food/Plant-a-Row-Program](http://www.oregonfoodbank.org/Give-Food/Plant-a-Row-Program). Or call Sopkin, (503) 282-0555, Ext. 2260, [espokin@oregonfoodbank.org](mailto:espokin@oregonfoodbank.org).

"Refrigerated space is often limited, so Oregon Food Bank's partner agencies especially appreciate produce that transports and stores well, such as tomatoes (pick them slightly under-ripe), green beans, garlic, onions, hot peppers, cucumbers, zucchini, collard greens and Swiss chard, beets and summer squash," says Eric Sopkin, OFB Metro Services coordinator, who helps connect gardeners to partner agencies at harvest time.

"No quantity is too small," he said.

### Liberty Awards



The Oregon League of Minority Voters presented its annual Liberty Awards Saturday, May 21, at its annual gala at the Oregon Convention Center. Portland Trail Blazers President Larry Miller (left) accepted one of the awards for Trail Blazers owner Paul Allen.

The other recipient was David Bartz, Jr., an attorney at Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt. Standing with them are (L-R) OLMV co-chair Sho Dozono, OLMV Executive Director Promise King, and OLMV co-chair Randall Edwards. Amy Troy of KGW-TV was MC. Oregon Republican Party Chair Allen Alley gave the keynote. The event raised funds for the non-partisan OLMV's programs and services, including the high school debate team it sponsors. Rob Cornilles and Tom Krattenmaker were event co-chairs.

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#### Friday May 27

**ROSE FESTIVAL CITY FAIR OPENS!** Rose Festival City Fair (formerly Waterfront Village), part of Portland's official festival is open for three full weekends starting Memorial Day Weekend 5 – 11 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday hours will be 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

#### Sunday May 29

**FREE CONCERT MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND WITH AMERICA'S FIRST YOUTH ORCHESTRA!** Celebrating its 87th season, The Portland Youth Philharmonic is offering a free concert. Lewis & Clark College, 1615 SW Palatine Hill Rd. Portland in Evans Hall 4 p.m.

#### Monday May 30

**DANNER MEMORIAL DAY MARCH!** Starting at 1:30 p.m. the Danner Memorial Day March parades down Naito Parkway from the Burnside Bridge south to Salmon Springs Fountain. Come show your support.

#### Friday June 3

**COMMUNITY FORUM: GET INVOLVED, STAY INFORMED. WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT THIS SUMMER? YOUTH VIOLENCE IS OUT OF CONTROL.** We will discuss Intervention Programs, Foot Patrol Possibilities, Mentoring Possibilities, what can be done between 12 a.m. and 3 a.m.

University Park, 9009 N. Foss 6 – 7 p.m.

#### Saturday June 4

**STARLIGHT PARADE!** Grab your spot early to see the parade. The parade begins at NW Burnside and 9th Ave. It then travels through downtown Portland and ends at Lincoln High School. Parade starts at 8:30 p.m.

**TRIBUTE TO MARSHALL:** A tribute to Marshall, celebrating Marshall High School's 51 years educating students in Southeast Portland. The event will include food, entertainment, memorabilia displays and raffles. Noon to 3 p.m. Marshall High School campus 3905 SE 91st Ave.

#### Sunday June 5

**BEAVERTON HIGH SCHOOL 6TH ANNUAL POWWOW:** Native American dancing, drumming, vendors and more. 1 – 10 p.m. 13000 SW second St. Beaverton

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